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ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any committee regarding illegal constructions made in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said Committee has since presented its report to the Government;

(d) if so, the main recommendation made by the Committee; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government on the recommendation of the committee?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): The Government had constituted a Committee of Experts on 14.2.2006 under the Chairmanship of Shri Tejendra Khanna, former Lt. Governor of Delhi to look into various matters relating to unauthorised constructions and misuse of premises in Delhi and to suggest a comprehensive strategy to deal with it. The Terms of Reference of the Committee included assessment of the magnitude of the problem, the underlying causes leading to the violations, unauthorised constructions in Lal Dora areas, and to suggest a strategy to deal with the problem and prevent future violations.

(c): The Committee has presented its report to the Government on 13th May, 2006.

(d): The main recommendations contained in the Report include inter alia charging compounding fee/penalty in respect of extra floor coverage and additional floor or part thereof, a differentiated approach to the mixed use policy, strengthening of enforcement machinery, creation of institutional arrangements and certain recommendations relating to construction activity in Lal Dora and extended Lal Dora areas and farm houses.

(e): After considering the recommendations in consultation with the local bodies, the Government has accorded approval for issue of public notice under section 11(A) of Delhi Development Act, 1957 for inviting suggestions and objections from the public for amending the Master Plan of Delhi-2001 in respect of development control norms for residential plotted development and mixed use regulations. The draft public notices were issued by Delhi Development Authority (DDA), accordingly on 21.7.2006. The Government has also called for comments of the agencies concerned in respect of some of the other recommendations made in the Report.